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From the President

As I write my last "President's Page" for the *Michigan Librarian*, I realize how very fast a year goes by. It will be with mingled relief and regret that I turn over the Presidency this month to our very capable Vice-President, Frederick Wagman. The year has been strenuous but rewarding in re-establishing old friendships and making new contacts with librarians and other groups throughout the State. As I have stated before, the Michigan Library Association and the Michigan State Library are live, vital organizations and are moving toward exciting new developments in the organization of library service in Michigan. Reports on this progress will be given at the Flint conference.

Committee and Section activities are reported elsewhere in this issue, and I urge you to read them in order to understand better the work being done by the capable members of this Association. Our special thanks go out to the Legislative Committee and its hard working chairman, Elizabeth von Oettingen. You will have learned from her informative Newsletters what action was taken and what the results were. But that does not tell how much of her own time and thought went into establishing the contacts which she made and assembling the information that was used. The experiment to have the Chairman stay in Lansing during the time that appropriations were being considered proved to be definitely worthwhile, and I am sure that the good will which she built up in the Legislature will pay off in future years.

The luncheon for Congressmen sponsored by groups in the American Li-

brary Association and by the state associations was a very successful affair and is reported in more detail elsewhere in this issue. I have received several expressions of appreciation from the Congressmen who were our guests. At this writing, we are still waiting for the recommendations for appropriations for the Library Services Act to come out of a House-Senate Conference Committee. Librarians in Washington were much encouraged by the Senate recommendation for the full \$7,500,000 appropriation.

I am pleased to announce that a new special committee to write the history of the Michigan Library Association has just been set up, consisting of Gail Curtis, Maud Grill and Dorothy Hagerman, under the chairmanship of Samuel McAllister. Since we are one of the oldest library associations in the country, it seems important that we should be acquiring a permanent record of our history and of the people who contributed to its development. It is contemplated that the history will appear in installments in the *Michigan Librarian* and then be reprinted as a separate publication.

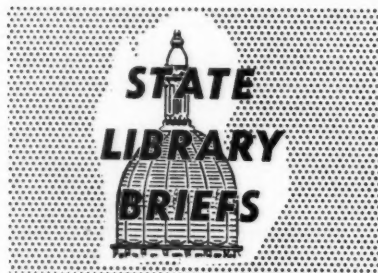
The Flint conference plans are complete, and I am sure that the interesting write-up of Flint as a conference city which appeared in the June *Michigan Librarian* has already stimulated your desire to go there. Plan to stay for the full four days and enjoy the opportunity to hear and meet outstanding speakers from the library and cultural world. Beginning with Flint's own William D. Chase, nationally known expert on George Bernard Shaw on Wednes-

day afternoon, and continuing with Verner Clapp, President of the Library Resources Council on Wednesday night, Russell Lynes, Managing Editor of *Harper's Magazine*, at the banquet Thursday night, and David Clift, Executive Director of A.L.A., on Friday morning, it will end with Dr. Bergen Evans, professor of English at Northwestern University at the Conference luncheon Saturday noon. Five of the general sessions are being sponsored by Sections and Committees, and you will see from the program that they deal with many of our current practical problems. You can all participate in the Saturday morning "Shop Talk" where we have assembled a fine group of experts to guide the conversations.

We hope that when the Conference is over you will feel that it has made some contribution toward pointing up our responsibilities for a "Lifetime of Learning".

My final message can only be one of deep appreciation for the privilege of serving the Michigan Library Association as its president and for the cooperation that I have received from the Executive Board, the Chairmen of Sections and Committees and Districts and from the membership at large, with a special bow to our efficient and charming Executive Secretary. It has been a wonderful year, and I thank you all for making it so.

Katharine G. Harris



State Board Elects . . . Arthur Yabroff, business manager of the Detroit public library, was elected chairman of the State Board for Libraries for 1959-60 at a state board meeting July 22 in Lansing.

Mr. Yabroff, who served as vice-chairman during the past year, succeeds Mrs. Lillian Navarre, of Monroe, who will continue as a board member.

Named to the vice-chairman post for the new year was Harvey Sherwood, instructor at Central high school in Kalamazoo.

Mr. Yabroff was first appointed to the Board in 1951 and was re-appointed in 1956 for a term expiring June 24, 1961. He served as chairman of the Board in 1956-57.

More Good News . . . Mrs. Dorothy S. McAllister, of Grand Rapids, has been re-appointed by Governor Williams to the State Board for Libraries for a term running till June 24, 1964. Mrs. Mc-

Allister served as chairman of the Board in 1957-58.

Michigan Library Council To Meet . . .

The Michigan Council for Better Libraries will meet November 6 at the new Flint public library. John Creecy, *Detroit Times* book editor, is chairman of the advisory group which is comprised of Michigan citizens who are interested in the future of Michigan's libraries. Vice-chairman is J. William Everson, assistant manager of market research for Dow Chemical in Midland. The new Council will be consulted on many of the major problems facing libraries today and will help reinforce the expanding library program now underway.

Mrs. Pealy Reports . . . Members of the state study advisory committee met August 7 at the State Library in Lansing to hear Mrs. Dorothee S. Pealy, public administration specialist, report on her recommendations for short and long range library development program in Michigan. Mrs. Pealy's findings were based on a year-long study conducted under the direction of Jean Johnson, project director, and assisted by Mrs. Ethel Yabroff, library specialist. The advisory committee decided to split into two sub-committees to analyze Mrs. Pealy's report. One group met September 3 at the Detroit public library and another September 18 at Western Michigan university. A general meeting was scheduled for September 23 at the State Library.

NLW Through 1962 . . . National Library Week will be continued through 1962 following action by the American Library Association at the recent Washington conference. The National Library Week program will be evaluated in 1961, prior to the ALA conference in Cleveland, and a decision on continuation after 1962 will be reached at that time. The 1960 observance has been scheduled for April 3-9 and William I. Nichols, editor and publisher of *This Week* magazine has been named chairman of the national steering committee.

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Committees

COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF LIBRARY LAWS

The Committee for the Study of Library Laws held one formal meeting during the past year. It was decided to wait for the forthcoming State Plan for Libraries before any extensive study of the present library laws was undertaken. The request that the basis for distribution of penal fines, as it relates to school districts, be examined was referred back to the County and Regional Libraries Section for their study and recommendations.

During the year one article, Penal Fines: Their History, was written and submitted to the *Michigan Librarian*. A study of financial support for libraries in Michigan was made. The percentages of the total support derived from local support, from state aid, and from penal fines was tabulated for all county and regional libraries and for the majority of local libraries serving over 25,000 population.

Robert W. Armstrong, *Chairman*

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

The Intellectual Freedom Committee has had no occasion for meeting during the last year—nor has it met. A meeting is scheduled for the Flint conference. We hope the new Committee will approve. The 1958-59 chairman is compiling a summary of major developments on the intellectual freedom front during the year for possible publication in the *Michigan Librarian*.

At a meeting somewhere during the year, the chairman of the Committee remarked that his Committee is one of the Association's volunteer fire departments. Clover Flanders commented cogently that fire *prevention* is an important function of such a committee. Our Committee has neglected this function this year—and other years, we think. We hope that our successors will correct this defect. We volunteer individually to help. We all know that the cause of intellectual freedom is but imperfectly served in many libraries in the state. Very few of our smaller public libraries, for example, "stick their necks out" to make available in optimum degree titles which are likely to elicit adverse local reactions. Nor do publishers publish them for that matter—such is the state of intellectual freedom in much of the world today. Few librarians want to be martyrs—nor do we want them. But, we have a responsibility to tame public opinion, and we have powerful potential allies in the local press and other so-called media of communication. We should be exploiting every possible means to achieve, ultimately, *real* intellectual freedom in the libraries of Michigan.

G. Fint Purdy, *Chairman*

LEGISLATIVE

LEGISLATION:

1. *Penal Fines*: The penal fines bill died in committee and had apparently been introduced merely as a pro forma matter, much as one might repeat a budget request several years in a row. One bill did pass, which will give townships broader authority to pass ordinances; however, disposition of the fines remains the same. The matter still bears watching, although increased sales tax receipts on the basis of the 1960 census will make it difficult for the larger townships to present their needs as being quite so desperate for the next few years. At any rate, thanks to the cooperation of the membership, especially the county librarians, a good deal of information has been compiled which may be useful if we have to fight the townships again.

2. *County Library Law Amendment*: This was introduced at the request of one of the county library boards and would have entitled the county superintendent

of schools, who is an ex-officio member, to the same compensation as other board members. This bill, too, died in committee.

3. *Transfer of the State Library for the Blind from the State Institute for the Blind to the State Library:* A bill was passed authorizing the administrative transfer, although the library will, for the present, remain in Saginaw. No money was provided for a trained librarian, which the library does not now have.

4. *Appropriations:* No increase in state aid or the appropriation for the State Board for Libraries. A \$500 increase each for the State Librarian and the Assistant State Librarian to go along with the 7% increase ordered by the Civil Service Commission for civil service personnel. A token increase of \$2,500 for binding at the State Library—all that the Conference Committee retained of a House amendment to increase the book and binding fund by \$25,000.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION AND WORK:

1. At our workshop in the fall and a second meeting in January it was decided that committee members should concentrate on working in their MLA districts, along with some watching in Lansing. Little of the latter was necessary since the journals of both Houses came out promptly and were scanned for news of legislation which might interest us. District organization resulted in excellent citizen contacts in some areas, but more work should be done in this connection, especially in the districts of members of the two appropriating committees.

2. Most of the Lansing work was done by the chairman. This resulted in a better understanding of the legislative process and the prevailing atmosphere and in a number of excellent legislative contacts, leaving us with a backlog of good will for next year. While the circumstances were against us and the presentation of an amendment from the floor of the House is the least efficient way of getting an increase, the House vote on our amendment was phenomenal (64-32, including the Speaker and the Floor Leaders of both parties among the yeas).

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

1. The Committee received an invitation to present a summary of its organization and work at a Federal Relations Committee meeting at the ALA Midwinter Conference. This was done by Messrs. Martelle and Harlan and the chairman, and a great deal was learned from the reports of activities in other states. Particularly impressive was the role played by trustees in some areas in getting library legislation passed.

2. Margaret Soderberg, the Federal Relations Coordinator, reorganized the letter and telegram committee lists by congressional districts with the help of the State Library, adding names for districts which had not been previously covered. One mailing was sent out. Federal Legislation as a whole was covered in the May Legislative Newsletter.

3. Together with the Trustee and the County and Regional Libraries Sections, the Legislative Committee is sponsoring the Friday afternoon General Session at the October conference. Tentative plans include the advice of an experienced legislator, a panel discussion, and role playing.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That present Committee organization be continued, with committee members taking turns coming to Lansing at appropriation time also, so as to back up the chairman and obtain a better understanding of what goes on.

2. That the membership at large redouble its efforts to cultivate good relationships with their legislators at home, particularly the members of the two appropriating committees, and that special attention be paid to obtaining the support of prominent citizens (preferably those who have some connection with the legislators to begin with), who will work with the legislators when action on the home front is required.

Liese von Oettingen, *Chairman*

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Committee met at the Grand Rapids convention because it seemed to be the best time due to the distances the members would have to travel for a latter date. It was the only meeting we had together though phone calls and

letters were frequent. Certainly a chairman could not have wanted a better committee nor had a more cooperative one.

A letter was sent to Dr. Wagman asking that a table be provided at the district meetings. Letters to each district chairman were also sent out. Members of the committee attended the various meetings and were in charge of collecting dues.

One of our main objectives for this year was to concentrate on institutional memberships. The whole committee cooperated on composing a letter to be written to librarians to encourage institutional memberships. Every librarian whose library was not a member of M.L.A. was written a personal letter with the result that we have about twenty more institutional memberships than last year.

All delinquent members were sent a form letter together with the calendar of events for the year, the brochure MEET YOUR MICHIGAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, as well as a business reply envelope along with schedule of the dues. Close to 700 of these letters were mailed. However, at this time our membership stands at 1573, about 130 less than we had last year at this time. Both trustees and personal memberships are down close to 100 members. This may be explained in part to the increase in the dues. We hope membership will hit over the 1600 mark before the year is out.

Janet Teale, *Chairman*

NEWCOMERS

The annual Newcomers Day sponsored by the Michigan Library Association was held Wednesday, April 29, 1959, at Kellogg Center in East Lansing. Eighty-two persons attended the conference of librarians new to library work in the State of Michigan.

The conference, which is held to acquaint newcomers with the Michigan library scene, provided them an opportunity to learn about the various activities of the M.L.A. and the State Library. The morning program was an interesting panel discussion of "Busy Days for the State Board for Libraries and the State Library".

At the luncheon which followed, Samuel W. McAllister of the University of Michigan reminisced about personalities and programs during the years he has been affiliated with the Michigan Library Association. This talk was followed by brief remarks from Miss Katharine G. Harris, current M.L.A. president, on the Association's activities this year. The program was concluded with reports from several M.L.A. committee chairmen on the work being done by their groups.

Margaret Keefe, *Chairman*

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

The Committee was gratified at the generous response of the membership in submitting names to be considered for office. This extensive list facilitated the work of the Committee at its customary January meeting. Preliminary lists for 1st Vice President (President-Elect), 2nd Vice President, Secretary and Trustee Member-at-Large were made at this all-day meeting; subsequent work on the slate was carried on by mail and telephone. Ballots, mailed in September, will be counted by Mr. Walter Kaiser and members of his staff, the results reported to the President and announced at the Annual Conference in October.

Over the years a collection of written traditions governing the selection of the various offices has been built up; following them has a tendency to complicate the work of the Nominating Committee. The present Committee suggests that the Executive Board plan to review the statements periodically.

Clover M. Flanders, *Chairman*

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Several meetings of the Committee were held during 1958-59. The Committee had been requested to arrange for the publication of a pamphlet on penal fines. After much discussion a folder was published in the late spring of 1959 as a joint effort of the Michigan Library Association and the Michigan State Board for Libraries. 5000 copies were run initially, at a cost of approximately \$162.80. There were certain additional committee expenses. At present writing the larger part of the

initial run has been used and recommendation is now made that a second running of 5000 be authorized. The estimated cost of this re-run is about \$50.00. This will provide opportunity to eliminate the poor inking of sides 1 and 2 of the pamphlet.

Arrangements have also been made to conduct a meeting on Library Public Relations at the Flint Conference in 1959. Mr. John Gray, Supervisor, Publications and Information, Department of Conservation, Lansing, has agreed to do an analysis of current local library public relations efforts based upon samples which are being provided for him, and to come up with an evaluation of such efforts. Provision has also been made for discussion at this meeting.

The Chairman wishes to thank the officers of the Association and the members of the Public Relations Committee for the cooperation extended this year.

Charles L. Higgins, *Chairman*

PUBLICATIONS

I. Meeting of Committee held at Pontiac March 25.

II. An "advertisement" of the WANTED variety, by the Committee appeared in the *Michigan Librarian* for June 1959. The ad was a request for MLA members' aid in increasing our list of *Michigan Librarian* advertisers.

III. The Committee approved for publication the proposed leaflet "Penal Fines and You" to be issued by the Public Relations Committee. (Approval agreed by mail, April 27 - 30.)

Phyllis Pope, *Chairman*

RECRUITING

On January 17, 1959 the Recruiting Committee met at Michigan State University Library. The core group had met previously and suggested possible areas for the committee's work this year, and these ideas plus others were weighed and several possible fields of concentration were selected. Materials in the recruiting files were examined and decisions made on their disposition.

Since then some of the committee have worked on studying all the available recruiting pamphlets, etc., evaluated them, prepared a bibliography and published it in the *Michigan Librarian*. They are now duplicating the list for distribution, ordering duplicates of the materials for display and limited distribution, and preparing a scrapbook of all materials listed in the bibliography.

Another group is preparing a display for a booth at the M.L.A. conference in the fall which can be converted for use at career days, etc.

Other members of the committee have been examining and experimenting with methods of recruiting college students, particularly assistants within their own libraries.

The committee also gave a recruiting talk at the Utica High School, sent pamphlets to Utica and a Student Library Assistant Workshop at Kalamazoo, and assisted the Flint career-day committee.

A representative was sent to the Joint Committee on Librarianship as a Career meeting at A.L.A. in Washington where the role of that committee and its relationship to all the member committees was discussed and referred to a committee for further study and recommendations.

Mavis M. Nash, *Chairman*

SALARY, STAFF AND TENURE

The Salary, Staff and Tenure Committee's aim this past year was to study the condition of professional staff salaries and vacancies in Michigan public libraries and to make this situation known to the members of the Michigan Library Association and local government officials.

A questionnaire sent to the fifty largest public libraries elicited the following information:

Number of staff members and the salary range for each position.

Number of professional staff vacancies.

Number of professional staff members actually needed now budget permitting.

Number of professional vacancies anticipated in the next five years.

Desired beginning professional salary.

The results of the survey were tabulated and printed in the June, 1959 issue of the *Michigan Librarian*.

The Michigan Municipal League, an association of Michigan cities and villages, was contacted and presented with copies of our survey for their information and research files.

A summary of the Committee's survey is to appear in the September, 1959 issue of the *Michigan Municipal Review*, the official organ of the Michigan Municipal League, circulated to over seven thousand municipal workers.

George S. Bobinski, *Chairman*

SCHOLARSHIP

The establishment of an outright grant to a library school student is the major accomplishment of the Scholarship Committee for this year. Since the scholarship funds continue to grow due to generous contributions at district meetings and since requests for workshop grants are decreasing, the Scholarship Committee and Executive Board felt our Association's scholarship activities had matured to a point where we could make an outright grant. At the present time \$100 is the amount of the grant; but we feel sure that in a year or two the amount may be increased. Or perhaps, the then operating Scholarship Committee and Executive Board might determine that two or more grants of \$100 should be given.

The recipient of MLA's first grant is Mrs. Roberta Cheney who is working in the Cass County Library and attending Western Michigan University, Department of Librarianship.

The Bement scholarship loan is active; one loan of \$300 was repaid to the Association and two loans of \$300 were made; one to a Western Michigan student and one to a University of Michigan student.

As stated previously, the need for workshop grants is diminishing due to the fact that library boards more and more are accepting the responsibility of providing funds for their employees to attend workshops. This year, only one request was made and a grant was made.

One goal of this year's Scholarship Committee was not accomplished. We had hoped to do a spectacular job of informing college counselors, placement officers and library schools of the funds available from MLA for serious and responsible library school students. Because the information sheets on the workshop grants, scholarship loans and the new grant had to be revised and reprinted, we were not able to do adequate publicity.

The "Dollars for Scholars" campaign at the spring district meetings resulted in the following collections to augment the scholarship funds:

District I	\$ 55.39
District II	7.00
District III	92.38
District IV	52.55
District V	9.25
District VI	42.54
District VII	48.69

Total

\$307.80

Mary Mitchell, *Chairman*

TRUSTEE CITATION

The Trustees' Citation Committee was not efficient this year due to a late start on the part of the chairman. (I should have known better for as far back as I can remember "slow starting" on this committee was its chief difficulty.)

I have collected a list of worthy trustees with their librarians' names and addresses for my successor. It is my desire to get this information to my successor long enough before Conference to enable her to have the full record of achievement for each candidate while at Conference. Then she may meet with the members of the M.L.A. Council, State Board for Libraries and State Library staff during Conference to collect additional material and to make the necessary decisions regarding the candidate or candidates for the state of Michigan.

As soon as the deadline is known, whether it is December 1st or April 1st, the committee will have the material ready to send to the American Library Association jury.

Claire Reck, *Chairman*

Sections

ADULT EDUCATION

In 1957 the Adult Education Section, through a series of Advisory Committee reports, made a number of recommendations concerning the role of this Section in the Association and the activities for which it should be responsible. The summary of these reports covers four pages and the comments range from, "the Section should hold an annual spring meeting devoted solely to adult education problems", to "we are all busy . . . most librarians carry on some form of adult education activity in their work and have little time to go booming ahead with additional projects".

Contrary to the popular opinion that once reports are printed they are forgotten, the Section officers for the years 1959 studied their reports and based this year's efforts upon several of the most practical recommendations. We were also very much aware that library circulation "boomed ahead" while staff shortages became more and more critical.

The Section concerned itself with four major activities for the year.

1. A Program Planning Training Session for MLA District chairmen was planned by Muriel Fuller and Kenneth King and held on December 5, 1958. In addition to receiving typed summaries of all the practical program planning techniques, the District chairmen also had an opportunity to direct questions to MLA officers formerly responsible for District meetings throughout the state. It was generally agreed that this type of training session provides the basic information necessary to good planning. This special program is in keeping with the advisory committee recommendation that the proper role of the Section ought to be to train members in AE skills and techniques.

2. The recommendation that we meet jointly with the Adult Education Association of Michigan at their annual conference was carried out full scale this year. Not only did AEA-M seek our active participation, it titled the conference "The Annual Conference of the Adult Education Association of Michigan—The Michigan Association of Public School Adult Educators and the Adult Education Section, Michigan Library Association".

Most of the credit for the cooperation between AEA-M and MLA goes to Muriel Fuller, who is now Vice-President of AEA-M, and to Section vice-chairman, Forrest Alter, who served as the general liaison person and as Exhibits chairman for the conference. Your chairman was invited to serve as Program chairman and speak on the subject, "How is Adult Education meeting Community Problems in 1959?". The conference theme "Adult Education and Community Development" was of particular interest to some forty librarians who attended the meetings. A special meeting arranged by Ransom Richardson and Forrest Alter of the Flint Public Library, gave librarians the chance to learn something of the unique adult education program, "Detroit Adventure, 1959". Two of the most active planners of "Detroit Adventure, 1959", Ruth Rutzen, Detroit Public Library, and Hamilton Stillwell, WSU/U of M, discussed the program in some detail and indicated its potential for other cities in Michigan.

3. The Advisory Committee suggestion that this Section survey the AE activities now being carried on in Michigan libraries was narrowed to one important aspect—that of public library service to an aging population. This emphasis was considered especially timely in view of this year's ALA Workshop on Aging and the forthcoming White House Conference on Aging. The 1958 ALA questionnaire on Public Library Service to an Aging Population was revised and sent to some thirty Michigan libraries serving a population of 25,000 or more. Response to the survey was excellent and indicated that while some libraries gave considerable special attention to older people, others treated them as they did any other reader and even felt that older people resented any special labeling or attention.

4. A strong recommendation from the Advisory Committee that this Section hold a meeting of general interest at the Annual Conference will again be

followed this year. At the Third General Session on Thursday, October 22, 10 a.m. - 12 noon, we will present the results of our survey during a discussion of "Michigan's Public Library Services for an Aging Population." Representatives of public libraries will discuss their own programs and consultants in the field of aging will comment on present and potential programs.

Interest in adult education activities is growing rapidly and 20% of the MLA membership is now also attached to the Adult Education Section. With the projected expansion of the Library Community Project and the Adult Education Association of Michigan, librarians will have many new opportunities to cooperate with local educators, businessmen, and citizens.

I would like to acknowledge and thank Vice-Chairman Forrest Alter, Secretary-Treasurer Miriam Altman, State Library Consultant, Muriel Fuller, and the librarians who responded to our survey for giving so much time and effort during a year when we have never been so busy in our own respective libraries.

Kenneth King, *Chairman*

COLLEGE

The College Section, Reference Section and Technical Services Section held a tri-sectional meeting at the McGregor Memorial Center, Wayne State University, on May 15, 1959. The subject of the meeting was, "The New Catalog Code Revision and the Users of the Catalog." The speaker was Charles L. Higgins, Assistant State Librarian.

The Acquisitions Committee appointed last year to study problems connected with the service of jobbers to Michigan college and university libraries is continuing its work this year, again under the chairmanship of Hazel DeMeyer. The committee met in Lansing on April 29. In attendance at that meeting to answer questions were representatives of Emery Pratt, the book jobber currently holding the State book supply contract, and Mr. McGregor of the State Purchasing Office. The Committee is investigating the Bro-Dart integrated order-catalog service and the service offered by University Publishers, Inc. It is also considering the feasibility of issuing a new sheet from time to time giving information regarding jobbers, dealers, discounts, etc. The Committee will cooperate with Mr. McGregor in studying draft specifications for the next book supply contract. Members of the Committee for this year are: Virginia Alexander, John Hafenrichter, David Maxfield, James Skipper, Howard Sullivan, Donald Vincent, and Hazel DeMeyer, *Chairman*.

The College Section was featured in the June *Michigan Librarian*.

Plans for the College Section program at the Flint Conference are not yet complete.

Warren Owens, *Chairman*

COUNTY AND REGIONAL LIBRARIES

The County and Regional Libraries Section re-elected all officers at the annual business meeting held during the Michigan Library Association conference at Grand Rapids. Mr. Joseph A. Parisi, Jr., Executive Secretary of the Michigan Township Association was the luncheon speaker.

A January 19th meeting was held at the new Monroe County Library building. The speakers for the day were Mr. J. S. Gray, editor of the *Monroe Evening News*, who spoke on Edward D. Ellis, Father of the original penal fine law and Mrs. Lillian Navarre, Chairman of the Michigan State Board For Libraries. The group of forty discussed the future fall meeting, a possible April trustee meeting and the state standards for receipt of penal fines. Mrs. Mary Daume, Monroe County librarian, was the hostess for the day.

The Dunning-Hough Library at Plymouth was the meeting place of the April 24th, County Librarian-Trustee Meeting. Mr. Walter Kaiser and other Wayne County Library staff members were hosts for the day. At the morning business the group voted to participate with two other sections on a program on legislative problems at the annual fall conference. Leonora Hass, Iosco-Arenac Regional librarian and Vice-Chairman presided at the afternoon session. Mr. Herbert Mutschler and Mrs. Mary Daume demonstrated audio-visual materials available from their libraries, including 16mm films, filmstrips, phonograph records and

pre-recorded tapes. Many of the materials are inexpensive and within the reach of the small libraries.

Mr. Harold Harlan, Mr. Norman Bunker and Mrs. Daume presented the following resolution after being appointed to a special meeting during the morning session: "We propose that the County and Regional Libraries Section of the Michigan Library Association go on record as favoring a moratorium on the enforcement of present certification standards as applying to penal fines, until the results of the study being made by the Joint Committee on Library Standards are accepted. We further propose that the County and Regional Libraries Section urge all its members to regard the present standards as desirable goals under such time as new standards of library service are adopted, and to use the penal fines fund wisely to that purpose." The group unanimously adopted this resolution. It was also decided that the Chairman appoint a committee to study the effect of changing the method of distribution of penal fines from school district census to federal census.

During the October annual conference at Flint, the section will have its annual business meeting on Friday morning at which time there will be election of officers and will also have its luncheon Friday noon. Mr. Walter Kaiser, Director of the Wayne County Library, will speak on county library building trends and also will show slides.

Jeannette Roberts, *Chairman*

HOSPITAL

The Hospital section of the Michigan Library Association held its spring meeting at the Veterans Hospital, Saginaw, on April 24, 1959. The events of the morning included a coffee hour served by the hostess—Josephine Tandler—greetings from Dr. R. E. Pleune, Manager, and Mr. Norman E. Scheib, Chief of Special Services and a tour of the hospital.

After luncheon and a brief business meeting, Miss Tandler introduced Dr. Randall S. Derifield, Chief, Medical Services whose subject was "The Patient and the Hospital: A Practical View."

On Friday, October 23, the section will have a luncheon meeting at Cromer's Restaurant, Flint. Mr. Joseph Kesner, former supervisor of the Vocational Rehabilitation Workshop, Maybury Sanatorium, Northville, will be the featured speaker. His subject will be "The Use of Psychotherapy and Psychodrama in Rehabilitation of the Physically and Mentally Handicapped." The Fall meeting will also include a short business meeting with election of officers.

Frances L. Lee, *Chairman*

REFERENCE

On May 15, the Reference Section met jointly with the Technical Services and College Sections at Wayne State University's new McGregor Memorial Center. Charles Higgins, of the State Library, discussed the proposed changes in the A.L.A. catalog rules which provoked a very lively discussion from those in attendance. Mr. Higgins and Barbara Westby promised to relay the protests and agreements to the A.L.A. committee.

The American Library Association Reference Services Division has officially authorized this Section as the Michigan Chapter. In connection with this, the officers have appointed a By-laws committee to present a draft for consideration at the morning business meeting on October 23, Flint. At the same time, the Nominating committee will present a slate of new officers for action.

The Pilot Study committee has been working very hard and will report on their activities in Macomb County in detail at the Flint business meeting. Mrs. Winifred Kovacich, of Detroit Public Library, and Mrs. Louise Ruble, of Wayne State University Library, have been especially helpful and diligent in gathering information both through literature searches and extensive correspondence.

The sixth general meeting of the M.L.A. Conference in Flint will be sponsored by this section on Friday evening, October 23. Public administrators and officials will participate in a panel discussion on "The Library's Role as a Governmental Unit," commenting on how the library meets their information needs and the place the library occupies in the total governmental structure.

Doris Detwiler, *Chairman*

SCHOOL AND CHILDREN'S

The School and Children's Section was again responsible for organization of three Institutes and a share in the annual State Conference.

The Spring Institute at Kellogg Center was held April 17-18 with an attendance of 115. (ten less than our estimate). The program was both inspirational and practical, pointing up The Place of Fantasy in a Lifetime of Learning. The high point was Miss Judith St. John's paper: Books of Fantasy From the Past with special reference to the Osborne Collection of Children's Books in Toronto, Canada. Mrs. Mary Gaboda of Grosse Pointe was program chairman.

St. Mary's Lake Institute will be held at the M.E.A. camp, September 18-19. Program chairman is Dorothea Butts of Battle Creek. The theme: Activity is The Key to Good Library Service. Caroline Whitenack of Purdue University will be the keynote speaker and the Saturday morning, using the brainstorm technique, . . . What People Expect of School Libraries.

Center State Institute will be held in Gaylord on October 17. This is geared to both school and public librarians who work with young people. Mr. John C. Crowley is program chairman, and the theme: Libraries and Education, with Dr. John W. Tenney of Wayne State University as the main speaker.

Co-chairmen, for the programs during the State Conference in Flint, are Mrs. Julia Russell and Mrs. Marian McCrady representing public and school libraries, respectively. District 10 M.E.A. meeting in Flint at the same time, will share in our section meetings . . . whenever possible. At Friday's Section luncheon, October 23, Dirk Gringhuis will speak on: A Lifetime of Learning Librarians. Saturday morning's business meeting for the section will be scheduled to coincide with breakfast. For the Shop Talk session on Saturday morning we will be responsible for at least three tables of discussion with a resource person and two alternates per table. For the final conference luncheon, section-sponsored, Dr. Bergen Evans has been asked to speak on The Responsibilities of Being Intelligent.

The following committees are actively engaged, at present:

- four Book List committees, regional, with Emma Foster of Detroit as over-all chairman, responsible for providing one bibliography each for the State's Quarterly Bulletin.
- a Michigan Authors and Illustrators committee chaired by Gertrude Hale of East Lansing, with a membership covering the entire state.
- a live Public Relations committee under Mary B. Long of Detroit.
- a Nominating committee chaired by Laura B. Long of Midland. Other committees have been inactive.

Frances Whitehead, *Chairman*

TECHNICAL SERVICES

The Catalog Section by constitutional amendment enlarged its scope and changed its name to the Technical Services Section of M.L.A. and to the Michigan Regional Group of Technical Services Librarians. Its membership is open to all librarians in the field of technical service—cataloging, acquisition, serials, and copying methods. These changes seemed appropriate since the group's affiliation has been transferred from the former Division of Cataloging and Classification to the Resources and Technical Services Division of A.L.A.

The Spring Meeting was a Tri-Sectional Meeting held jointly with the College and Reference Sections at the MacGregor Memorial Conference Center, Wayne State University, May 15, with an attendance of 128. Charles A. Higgins, Assistant State Librarian and member of the Advisory Committee of the Catalog Code Revision Committee, spoke on *The New Catalog Code Revision and the User of the Catalog*. He outlined the major changes proposed in the revised rules and described their effects in the catalog and on the user. Each luncheon table then formed a small discussion group, debating the pros and cons of the new rules. After an hour, the meeting reconvened and a lively and interesting discussion followed.

The Fall Meeting will be the first general session of the Michigan Library Association to be held at the Durant Hotel, Flint, October 21. C. Sumner Spalding of the Library of Congress will talk on the "Cataloging in Source Experiment".

Barbara Westby, *Chairman*

TRUSTEE

In making this report as your State Trustee Chairman I am thinking of the wonderful friends I have made when attending meetings throughout the state, and especially I want to thank Muriel Fuller for all the help and advice she has given as Trustee Consultant from the State Library. Her services are available to trustees with problems at any time.

Miss Mabel Conat, Executive Secretary, Friends of Detroit Public Library, was the speaker at the Conference last fall and her message created much interest. The subject "Friends of Library" groups were used by many districts as their theme for spring meetings. The feeling is these groups will interest more adults in libraries, and help promote better programs.

Trustee dues were raised from \$2.00 to \$2.50 this year. The Executive Board felt trustees should pay their share of the increase in cost of the *Michigan Librarian*, and since we retain \$1.00 in the Packard Fund, which was set up to help further trustee interest and aid in the work of the trustee section of MLA, only one dollar was left for the general fund. I hope every chairman will see that provisions be made in their library budget to include membership dues to MLA for all trustees and the membership committee is working toward institutional membership for all libraries and the chairman be a member of AALT.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEE, a publication of the American Association of Library Trustees helps to keep us informed of activities on a national level and has the last page for programs of special interest to trustees from our state. Only one copy is sent to each library so I hope this is passed around for all to read.

Informed trustees can play a very important part in helping to make our legislative program more effective. I have planned for trustees to take part in the general session on Friday, October 23, sponsored by the Legislative Committee. I am sure this will be very interesting to trustees and am hoping for a good attendance.

I attended a Library Community Project Area Meeting in Flint July 17. The purpose of this meeting was to plan a long range library adult education program for Michigan.

The Executive Board of the Trustee Section will meet at 9:00 October 23 so all trustees will be able to attend the general business meeting of MLA at 10:00. Plan to spend a very enjoyable day in Flint.

Mrs. Jack Vrable, *State Trustee Chairman*

YOUR ALA

COUNCILOR REPORTS

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Council Meeting

The A.L.A. Council held two meetings during the Annual Conference. Prior to the first meeting a session was held with the Executive Board to review and to clarify the minutes of the Board's 1959 Midwinter meeting.

The Council was again primarily concerned with questions concerning the A.L.A. Constitution and By-Laws. Many of these questions have arisen as a result of the recent reorganization of A.L.A. At the time of the reorganization the Council was designated as the policy making governing body of the Association. The Executive Board was

to act for the Council in the interim between meetings but its action was subject to review by the Council. The Council is very jealous of its prerogatives and is very concerned when changes are proposed to the Constitution and By-Laws which would rob it of some of its powers. A special committee headed by Walter Kaiser recommended a change in the By-Laws that would have deleted the statement that "A Division shall have the authority to act for A.L.A. as a whole". The recommendation was approved by Council but was later overthrown at the membership meeting.

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Most of the recommendations of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws were accepted with the exception of those sections 9-12 of Article VI of the By-Laws which would have restricted Division activity.

A report on National Library Week was accepted and it was agreed that the National Book Committee and the A.L.A. would jointly sponsor National Library Week through 1962. In 1961, prior to the Cleveland Conference the program is to be evaluated by N.B.C. and A.L.A. so that decision can be made at that time as to whether the program is to be continued after that year. The dates for National Book Week in 1960 are to be April 3 - 9th.

There has been some discussion relative to the size of Council and whether a group that large can properly function as a deliberative body under the present conditions. A committee headed by Flora B. Ludington recommended that at the Midwinter meeting in 1960, that at one session the voting and non-voting members be seated separately. The committee wishes to continue its study.

Council accepted a report that responsibility for copying equipment should be transferred from Copying Methods Section of the Resources and Technical Services Division to the Building and Equipment Section of the Library Administration Division.

The American Association of School Librarians requested and received permission to seek departmental status in the National Education Association while remaining a division of the American Library Association.

A general plan for financing the building of the new headquarters building was approved.

Two new awards were accepted. The Clarence Day Award of \$1,000 a year for three years has been established by the American Textbook Publishers Institute and a Library Literature Award of \$500 a year for a period of five years by the Scarecrow Press to recognize outstanding work in library literature.

Congressional Luncheon

The Congressional luncheon held during the Annual Conference of the A.L.A. in Washington was both an impressive and a gala occasion. The

luncheon was sponsored by the Association of State Librarians and the Federal Relations Committee. Every member of Congress was invited to attend by a librarian from his own state. About nine hundred librarians, trustees and congressional guests attended.

While the Conference was in session the Senate passed the Library Services Appropriation Bill allowing the full amount \$7.5 million that had been authorized. The House had previously passed a \$6 million appropriation so the matter was referred to a Conference Committee from the House and Senate. The latest report is those states that are able to match for the \$7.5 million will have available to them for the first time all the funds authorized by the legislation.

The luncheon was held to express the gratitude of the library profession for the Congressional support of library legislation. The meeting was informal and there were no formal speeches. Presi-

dent Greenaway welcomed the guests with one of the shortest speeches on record. Conversation at all of the tables was spirited and gay. The tables were decorated by state flags and banners. Some of the states had also included samples of the products manufactured or grown in their states.

Michigan was fortunate to have Congresswoman Martha Griffiths, Congressman Charles C. Diggs, Jr., Thaddeus Machrowicz, George Meader, August Johansen and James O'Hara as our guests as well as Congressman Bentley's administrative assistant. Many of the Congressional delegation from Michigan were attending the official opening of the St. Lawrence Waterway.

Congresswoman Griffiths expressed a desire to know whether the libraries in Livonia, Northwest Detroit and Northwest Wayne County are able to supply the books needed by their patrons. (Librarians concerned please take note and let Mrs. Griffiths know.)

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RETIRED: Mrs. Florence M. Leach, Librarian, Farmington Public Library after 21 years of public service. An appreciation tea was given by the Farmington Friends of the Library, Inc. to honor Mrs. Leach.

DOROTHY BERRY: retired from Detroit Public Library after 47 years as a librarian. Miss Berry was honored by the city of Detroit as being the city employee with the longest record of service.

DOROTHY V. MARTIN: Curator of Manuscripts for the Burton Historical Collection of the Detroit Public Library, died June 24.

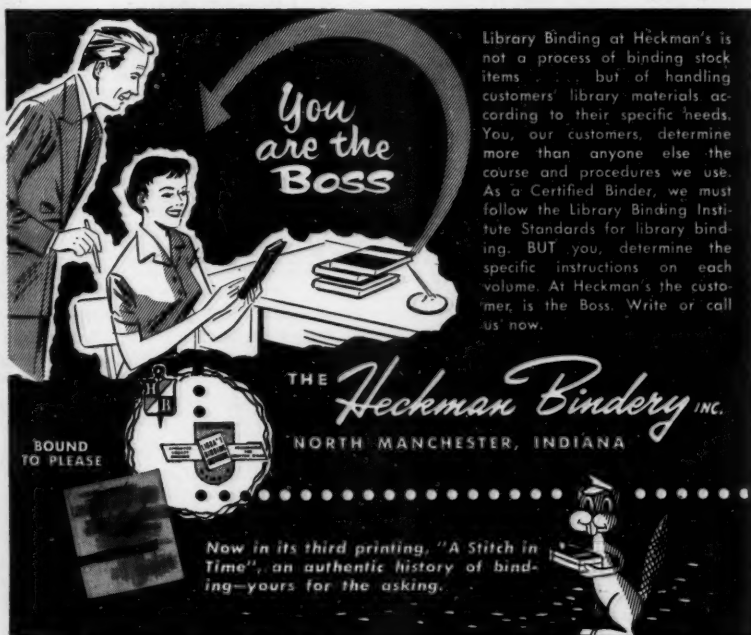
HONORED: Agnes Lally, librarian of D.P.L.'s Monnier Branch by the Stathmoore Kiwanis Club for her "outstanding contribution to the community" through her work with the Merry Seniors, a group of retired men and women who meet regularly at the library.

APPOINTED: Charles H. Hewitt, formerly first assistant, Gray Branch, D.P.L. to Head of Branch Dept., Flint Public Library.

GROSSE POINTE P.L.: new appointments are James Dodd, Librarian, Woods Branch; Mrs. Betty Seifter, Librarian, Park Branch; professional assistants Miss Gerda Bielitz and Mrs. Evaline Schunk.

LOLETA D. FYAN: State Librarian, elected First V.P., American Association of State Libraries.

KATHARINE G. HARRIS: President, M.L.A. now President, A.L.A.'s Reference Services Division.



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OF interest

For Students of Michigan History

James Strang's *Ancient and Modern Michilimackinac, Including an Account of the Controversy between Mackinac and the Mormons* has been reprinted. Bound in red buckram, the 124 page book includes eight pages of illustrations and is priced at \$7.50. The reprint has been edited by Dr. George S. May, research archivist of the Michigan Historical Commission, who has written an introduction, annotated the text, and added an appendix containing Strang's report on the wild life of the Beaver Islands. Only 500 copies are available. Orders can be placed with W. Stewart Woodfill, Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island.

Penal Fines Resolution

The County and Regional Libraries Section of M.L.A. passed the following resolution on penal fines certification.

"We propose that the County and Regional Libraries Section of the Michigan Library Association go on record as favoring a moratorium on the enforcement of present certification standards as applying to penal fines until the results of the study being made by the joint committee on library standards are accepted. We further propose that the County and Regional Libraries Section urge all its members to regard the present standards as desirable goals until such time as new standards of library service are adopted, and to use the penal fines fund wisely to that purpose."

Community Relations

The Hamtramck Federation of Teachers has for the second year presented a \$50.00 check to the Hamtramck Public Library to be used for the purchase of recent books in the field of education. The Federation feels that in this way it is assuming a responsibility on the local level for a need felt in every public library throughout the country.

The women of the Moose, Hamtramck Chapter #1455 gave the public library a coat rack which will have full use this winter.

Flint Public Library

Staff Association Scholarship

This scholarship now known as the William Webb Scholarship is available to library science students in Michigan. It is a full annual tuition scholarship. For further information, applicants should contact: Scholarship Committee, Flint Public Library Staff Association, Flint Public Library, Flint 3. Applications must be submitted by May 25.

Busy President

Ever wonder what M.L.A.'s president does in addition to almost full time devotion to M.L.A. operation and duties. Katharine Harris, present president also held office as president-elect of A.L.A.'s Reference Services Division, wrote an article for *Stechert-Hafner Book News* on "The Joint Acquisitions Committee of the Detroit Public Library and Wayne State University Library", represented M.L.A. at the Ontario Library Association in May. This is just a sampling of how our busy presidents keep even busier.

At Last!

We are going to have a written history of the Michigan Library Association. Samuel McAllister has agreed to chair the project with Gail Curtis, Maud Grill and Dorothy Hagerman ably assisting him. Plans are to use it in serial form in the *Michigan Librarian* and then publish it separately.

New Manual

Russell E. Bidlack, Department of Library Science, University of Michigan has written a clear, concise manual for beginners entitled *Typewritten Catalog Cards, A Manual of Procedure and Form* (with 125 sample cards). Price \$2.00. Published by Ann Arbor Publishers, 711 North University, Ann Arbor.

Fall Institutes

School and Children's Section

October 17: Gaylord Community Schools, Gaylord is a Teacher-Librarian Conference on Libraries and Education. Discussions will include censorship in school libraries, education in the Soviet Union plus art and appeal in library accessories and displays.

October 24: Shop Talk Session to be held during the annual M.L.A. Conference in Flint.

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Western Michigan Library School Accredited

During the 1959 ALA Conference, the ALA Committee on Accreditation accredited the graduate program in library science of Western Michigan University, Department of Librarianship. Between 1957 and the present, the Michigan State Board for Libraries had approved the graduate and the undergraduate program for employment in Michigan libraries. WMU's Department of Librarianship now fully accredited as a graduate school still offers an undergraduate minor.

New Libraries

Monroe County library has new headquarters. The beautiful building has been named in honor of Edward D. Ellis, founder of the idea, "Penal fines for libraries". An excellent editorial in the *Monroe Evening News* gave high praise to the library and its services. Mrs. Mary Daume is the librarian.

Trenton's spacious modern library is the result of long term planning on the part of many of Trenton's community groups. The good relations between the library and community was well expressed in a special Trenton Library dedication edition of the *Trenton Times*, official publication for the city of Trenton. Miss Anne Youngblood is the librarian.

1959 Michigan NLW Report

Want to know how National Library Week went in Michigan? Doug Weiser, Executive Director has an excellent report which is available upon request. Write to Douglas Weiser, Executive Director, National Library Week in Michigan, State Library, Lansing.

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Trustee's Corner

NEWS and VIEWS

Report on AALT Conference

It was such a wonderful experience to represent Michigan at the AALT Trustee Institute in Washington, D.C. on Saturday and Sunday, June 20 and 21.

"The Library—A Tool to Build a Better America" as the theme, Mr. David Clift, Executive Director of ALA opened the Workshop with a very inspiring message.

182 trustees from 32 states were registered and a large number of librarians also attended the meetings. At the Round Table Discussion on the Trustee's Responsibilities for Policy-Making, Finance, and Interpretation of the Library to the Community, we learned most states have the same problems, of how to teach adults that the public library is an educational institution as well as a recreational center. It is much easier to plan a good program than to get people to put your plan into action. Trustees must be informed on their community needs, legislative program, and also be responsible for seeing that new trustees are appointed because of their interest in libraries and not because they are somebody's friend.

Jack Dalton, Director, ALA International Relations Office, was the speaker for the Conference Banquet on Saturday evening. He told of his many experiences in other countries and their great need for books.

An interesting program was a skit put on by the Trustees of Arkansas about their trips by bus to visit libraries in different parts of the state, and to national conferences. They had two scrap-books showing pictures of these exciting trips.

The National Assembly of Library Trustees discussed the reports of the Action Committee, Library Services Act, Membership Committee. It was

also felt that the Pre-Conference Institute was such a success it was voted to have another two day meeting next year.

I think everyone left the Conference with the feeling that they had met many enthusiastic trustees and gained many ideas to take back to their respective states, and the trip to Washington had been a big success.

Mrs. Jack Vrable
Trustee Delegate, AALT

Report of the Action Development Committee American Association of Library Trustees

The American Association of Library Trustees is dedicated to the principle that free public libraries shall truly become the cultural centers of the nation, and that they must take their place, not only as cultural centers, but as progenitors, through self education and group improvement in all levels and segments of society, of the nation's heritage of a democratic way of life. It subscribes to the belief that each library must strive to reach the new standards set up by the American Library Association as speedily as possible in personnel, administration, physical equipment, and services.

To accomplish these objectives the AALT sets for itself these tasks:

- A. To raise the standards of trusteeship, the AALT will:
 1. Encourage the utilization of every available resource by trustees as individuals and as boards to increase their competency in policy direction to raise library standards. This can be accomplished through home study, correspondence courses, group study, and discussion.
 2. Assist local boards of trustees to realize their functions as an agency for public relations and a liaison between the public and the library to inform the public of library service and progress, and to inform the library staff of public needs, desires, and complaints.
 3. Encourage each library trustee to be a member of his state association and each board to have at least one membership in both state and national associations. An educational campaign should be set up utilizing

the services of state agencies, associations and the ALA. A prerequisite to this campaign is a realistic and sympathetic attitude toward trustees by professional librarians, that trustees, as lay people responsible for library policy must be informed and wholeheartedly accepted as an integral part of the public library and not as a necessary evil to be tolerated and bypassed whenever possible. Conversely, boards of trustees should admit librarians to their councils and confer freely with them in all discussions concerning the work and progress of their respective libraries.

4. Encourage responsible authorities in each state to prepare a handbook for the use of library trustees. This handbook would include laws, local and state, applicable to trustees and libraries and other pertinent information that would serve to guide and improve the standards of trustee service and thus library service.
5. Propose that each state carefully study its trustee appointive system and work for an effective method of assuring the appointment of the best possible persons to this important board.
6. Urge ALA to study ways of giving more effective coverage in the *ALA Bulletin* of information of value to trustees.
7. Encourage trustees to know and understand the federal Library Services Act, its implications to all levels of government and library administration, and how it can be used most wisely and effectively.
8. Help local trustee boards understand procedures and problems in library financing. This is particularly important to insure that libraries get their rightful share of the tax dollar—not what is left after all other governmental agencies are provided for. Basic formulas should be worked out so that trustees may set up realistic budgets.

B. To raise the standards of librarianship, the AALT will:

1. Make concerted attempt to raise the pay of professional librarians so that libraries can successfully com-

pete for competent personnel with other professions.

2. Organize a program for the encouragement of promising young people to consider and enter librarianship as a career.
3. Encourage the establishment of in-service training courses in library work for staff members in cooperation with schools for librarians in each state.
4. Give serious study and consideration to the establishment of a new intermediate classification in library science to be known as library technician. Present library clerical workers and others, for whom the attainment of the advanced degree in library science is impossible, could look to this intermediate classification in library science as an achievable goal beyond the purely clerical work. This would be in line with the classification of technician in other professions, such as engineering, dentistry, and medicine.

C. To raise the standards of library buildings and services, the AALT will:

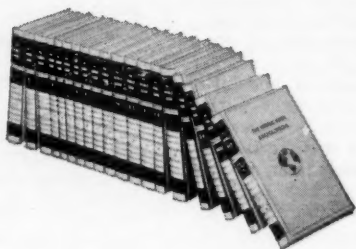
1. Work for the expansion of library operations over the nation to include services in all recognized and accepted cultural activities so that the library contains as wide a variety of books, periodicals, pamphlets, newspapers, pictures, slides and films, scores, maps, recordings, and the various forms of micro-reproduction as its resources will permit it to purchase and maintain.
2. Strive for an expanded building program for modern libraries over the nation providing new and additional facilities where possible, and remodeling and modernizing of obsolescent plants where new building is not practicable.

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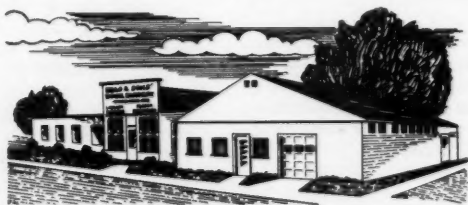
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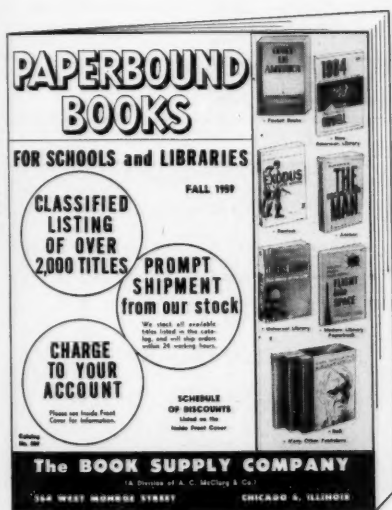
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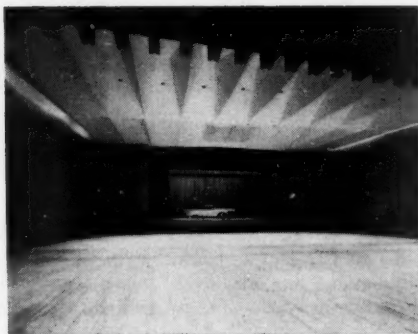


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THEME: A Lifetime Of Learning — The Library As An Educational Force

Wednesday, October 21

10 a.m.—8:30 p.m.

Registration—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

12:15 p.m.—2 p.m.

Technical Services Section Luncheon—West Room,
Hotel Durant

Chairman: Miss Barbara Westby, Detroit Public
Library

1 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Exhibits Open I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

2:30 p.m.—3:45 p.m.

First General Session—(Sponsored by Technical Serv-
ices Section) I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

Miss Barbara Westby, Detroit Public Library, Pre-
siding

Speaker: C. Sumner Spalding, Chief, Descriptive
Cataloging Division, Library of Congress "The
Cataloging In Source Experiment"

4 p.m.—5:15 p.m.

George Bernard Shaw Program—I.M.A. Auditorium
Annex Meeting Room

Ransom L. Richardson, Flint Public Library, Chair-
man, Conference Committee, Presiding

Speaker: William Chase, Founder, Shaw Society of
America and Librarian, *Flint Journal* "Mr. Shaw
Survives His Demise"

8:30 p.m.—10 p.m.

Second General Session—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex
Miss Katharine G. Harris, Presiding

Welcome—Walter E. Scott, President, Flint Board of
Education

The Anatomy Of The Public Library In Michigan—
A Progress Report—Arthur Yabroff, Chairman,
State Board for Libraries

Michigan Council for Better Libraries Report

Introduction of Speaker: Dr. Frederick H. Wagman,
Director, University of Michigan Libraries

Speaker: Verner W. Clapp, President, Council on
Library Resources, Inc.

"Improvement Of Library Services Through Re-
search And Development"

Thursday, October 22

8 a.m.—10 a.m.

Exhibitor's Breakfast—West Room, Hotel Durant

9 a.m.—6 p.m.

Registration—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

10 a.m.—6 p.m.

Exhibits Open I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

10 a.m.—12 noon

Third General Session (sponsored by Adult Education Section)—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

Kenneth King, Detroit Public Library, Presiding
Panel Discussion: "Michigan's Public Library Services For An Aging Population"

Moderator: Miss Muriel Fuller, Michigan State Library

Panel Members: (Consultant) Miss Rose Vainstein, Public Library Specialist, Library Services Branch, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Office of Education, Washington, D.C.; (Consultant) Mrs. Minnie K. Oed, Secretary, Community Planning Committee for Senior Citizens, Flint; Miss Genevieve Casey, Chief of Extension Department, Detroit Public Library; Mrs. Carrie Palmer, Librarian, Royal Oak Public Library; Norman Bunker, Librarian, Ingham County Library.

12:15 p.m.—2 p.m.

University of Michigan, Department of Library Science, Alumni Luncheon — Courtyard Room, Hotel Durant

Western Michigan University, Department of Librarianship, Alumni Luncheon—East Room, Hotel Durant

Western Reserve University, School of Library Science, Alumni Luncheon—West Room, Hotel Durant

1:30 p.m.

Free afternoon for tour of College and Cultural Development Center and others by special arrangement. Tea at Flint Public Library included in tours.

Tours will leave I.M.A. Auditorium Annex:

Tour 1: Leaves—1:30 p.m. Returns 3:30 p.m.

Tour 2: Leaves—2 p.m. Returns 4 p.m.

Tour 3: Leaves—2:30 p.m. Returns 4:30 p.m.

3 p.m.—5 p.m.

Tea—Flint Public Library

Flint Public Library Staff Association, Host

4 p.m.—5:15 p.m.

Meeting of Old and New Boards of MLA, Committee and Section Chairmen—Room 205, Flint Public Library

6 p.m.—7 p.m.

Party by Exhibitors—Courtyard Room, Hotel Durant

7 p.m.

Conference Banquet—Ballroom, Hotel Durant

Invocation: Rev. Franklin P. Bennett, Rector St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Flint

Miss Katharine G. Harris, Presiding

Introduction of Speaker: Ransom L. Richardson, Flint Public Library, Chairman, Conference Committee

Speaker: Russell Lynes, Managing Editor, *Harper's Magazine* "Sense and Nonsense about Mass Culture"

Friday, October 23

9 a.m.—8:30 p.m.

Registration—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

9 a.m.—6 p.m.

Exhibits Open I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

8:30 a.m.—9:45 a.m.

National Library Week Workshop—Courtyard Room, Hotel Durant

9 a.m.—9:45 a.m.

County and Regional Libraries Section Business Meeting—West Room, Hotel Durant
Chairman: Miss Jeanette Roberts, Lenawee County Library

Reference Section Business Meeting—Parkview Room, Hotel Durant
Chairman: Miss Doris Detwiler, Detroit Public Library

Trustees Section Board Meeting—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex, Meeting Room
Chairman: Mrs. Kareen Vrable, Chesaning

10 a.m.—12 noon

Fourth General Session—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex
Miss Katharine G. Harris, Presiding

Business Meeting of MLA

President's Report

Committee Reports

Speaker: David H. Clift, Executive Director, ALA
"Libraries And Education"

12:15 p.m.—2 p.m.

Trustees Section Luncheon—West Room, Hotel Durant

Chairman: Mrs. Kareen Vrable, Chesaning

School and Children's Section Luncheon—Lodge Room, Hotel Durant

Chairman: Miss Frances Whitehead, Detroit Public Library

Speaker: Dirk Gringhuis, Author and Illustrator
"A Lifetime of Learning Librarians"

County and Regional Libraries Section Luncheon—Courtyard Room, Hotel Durant

Chairman: Miss Jeanette Roberts, Lenawee County Library (Slides to be shown)

Speaker: Mr. Walter Kaiser, Wayne County Librarian "County Library Building Trends"

Hospital Librarians Section Meeting Luncheon—Rose Room, Cromer's Restaurant

Chairman: Mrs. Frances L. Lee, Wayne County Library

2:30 p.m.—3:45 p.m.

Fifth General Session—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex (Sponsored by Legislative Committee, County and Regional Libraries Section and Trustees Section)
Miss Liese von Oettingen, Detroit Public Library, Presiding

Speaker: Rep. Einar Erlandsen, Escanaba
"The Legislature And You"

Moderator for Panel Discussion: Miss Maureen Fisher, Niles Public Library

Panel Members: Mrs. John J. Walch, Trustee; Escanaba; Mrs. Madalyn Bradford, Van Buren County Library; Mrs. C. L. Rose, Trustee, Evart; Mrs. Karl Hoch, Trustee, Howell; Mrs. Mary Daume, Monroe County Library.

Role-Playing: A library board invites a legislator to a board meeting

Participants: Rep. Einar Erlandsen, Legislator; Miss Dorothy Davis, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Lapeer; Mr. Byron L. Duckwall, Trustee, Lapeer; Mrs. Martin Mix, Trustee, Highland Park; Mrs. Roland E. Hinterman, Trustee, Ann Arbor; Mrs. Marjorie Federowski, Librarian, Cass County Library.

Discussion.

4 p.m.—5:15 p.m.

Public Relation Section Meeting—Lodge Room, Hotel Durant

Chairman: Charles Higgins, Asst. State Librarian, Michigan State Library

Speaker: John Gray, Supervisor of Publications and Information, Michigan Conservation Department
"Library Public Relations"

4 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

College Section Meeting—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

Chairman: Warren Owens, University of Michigan Library

Speaker: John Gantt, Supervisor, Photo Duplication Service, University of Michigan Library

"Photo Duplication And Academic Libraries"

Discussion Panel: Wen Chao Chen, Kalamazoo College Library; William Morgan, University of Michigan Library; Howard Sullivan, Wayne State University Library

Business Meeting.

8:30 p.m.—10 p.m.

Sixth General Session—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex (Sponsored by the Reference Section)

Miss Doris Detwiler, Detroit Public Library, Presiding

Panel Discussion: "The Library's Role As A Governmental Unit"

Moderator: Robert Armstrong, Purchasing Agent, Detroit Public Library

Panel Members: Lloyd L. Anderson, Representative in Michigan Legislature from the first District, Oakland County and former supervisor of Waterford Township; Norman Berkowitz, Secretary of Public Service Commission, formerly with Civil Service; Edward Conner, Detroit Councilman and member of Supervisors Inter-County Committee; Edward J. Nowak, Budget Director of City of Detroit.

EXHIBITS CLOSE—6 P.M.**Saturday, October 24****Registration**

9 a.m.—10:00 a.m.

8 a.m.—9:45 a.m.

School and Children's Section Breakfast and Business Meeting—West Room, Hotel Durant

Chairman: Miss Frances Whitehead, Detroit Public Library

10 a.m.—12 noon

Seventh General Session—I.M.A. Auditorium Annex

Shop Talk: Across-the-Table Sharing of Ideas

Choice of Subject Areas: Public Relations—Government Documents—Rare Books and Manuscripts — Paperbound Books — Friends of Libraries—College Libraries—Work with Young Adults—Work with Children.

12:15 p.m.—2 p.m.

Conference Luncheon—Ballroom, Hotel Durant

(Sponsored by the School and Children's Section)

Dr. Frederick H. Wagman, President-Elect, Presiding

Introduction of Speaker: Miss Frances Whitehead, Detroit Public Library

Speaker: Dr. Bergen Evans, Professor, Northwestern University, Author, and Moderator of CBS Program, "The Last Word"

"The Responsibilities Of Being Intelligent"

Conference Speakers

C. SUMNER SPALDING, Chief, Descriptive Cataloging Division, Library of Congress. Speaker at the First General Session, his subject "The Cataloging in Source Experiment".



WILLIAM D. CHASE, Publisher of the Apple Tree Press and librarian of "The Flint Journal". An outstanding authority on George Bernard Shaw, he is the founder of the Shaw Society of America and co-author of "Chase's Calendar of Annual Events". He headlines Wednesday afternoon's program on Shaw. Topic is "Mr. Shaw Survives His Demise".



VERNER W. CLAPP, President, Council on Library Resources, Inc. and former Chief Assistant Librarian of Congress. He has stated that the aim of the council is "to attempt without losing any of the values which libraries now contribute to our civilization, to make these values more accessible and more effective." As Second General Session speaker he enlarges on the council's aim when he talks about "Improvement of Library Services through Research and Development".



RUSSELL LYNES, Managing editor, "Harper's Magazine" and author of note, his latest book "Cadwallader" was published this year. As our banquet speaker, Mr. Lynes discusses "Sense and Nonsense about Mass Culture".



DAVID H. CLIFT, Executive Director, ALA needs no introduction to M.L.A. members. We are pleased to have Mr. Clift as our Fourth General Session speaker. Be assured that his talk "Libraries and Education" will give us food for thought.



REP. EINAR ERLANDSEN, was first elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1948 and has represented the Delta County district since that time. Born in Escanaba, Rep. Erlandsen served as an officer of the Paper Makers Local 209 and organized the credit union at the company. He is a member of House Committees on Agriculture, Education, Fish and Fisheries, Liquor Control and Towns and Counties. He is also a good friend of libraries and will be giving us invaluable advice at the Fifth General Session when he talks about "The Legislature and You".

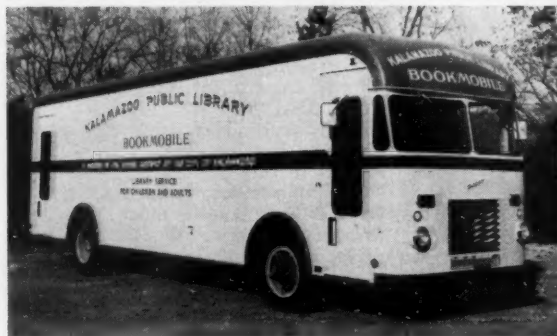


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